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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 21-JUL-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK		
	07/21/01	07/14/01		
BRO-FRY	159,266	164,836		
LT HENS	1,736	1,637		
HVY HENS	1,576	1,568		

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA WEEKS ENDING 14-JUL-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	490	4	494
LAST WEEK	304	0	304
SAME WK YR AGO	587	16	603
TO DATE 2001	13,237	191	13,428
TO DATE 2000	13,777	275	14,052
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SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA LIGHT HENS HEAVY HENS TOTAL

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HEAD	2,175	1,646	3,821	
LAST WEEK	1,753	1,237	2,990	
SAME WK YR AGO	2,469	1,444	3,913	
TO DATE 2001	63,159	38,084	101,243	
TO DATE 2000	68,802	39,301	108,103	

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION WEEK ENDING 14-Jul-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)

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YOUNG	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL
CHICKENS	HENS	HENS	HENS
158,097 (A)	1,685	1,642	3,327
5.06	4.12	8.32	6.19
136,728	1,449	1,237	2,686
161,559	1,882	1,428	3,310
5.01	3.48	7.96	5.41
4,268,621	49,922	37,893	87,815
4,320,869	55,025	39,026	94,051
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⁽A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 160 million head or 1.4 million head less than or 100 percent of estimated fryers available.

⁽R) Revised

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING July 07, 2001

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERV	VICE (B) RETAIL	(C) DEBONING
	4.20 LBS & DOWN	4.21-5.25 LBS	5.26 LBS & UP
	T	CHOUSANDS	
HEAD	33,503	24,570	37,598
AVG WEIGHT	3.84	4.84	6.02
% OF TOTAL /1	35%	26%	39%
COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	35,394	24,343	45,188
AVG WEIGHT	3.84	4.64	6.08
% OF TOTAL /1	34%	23%	43%
SAME WEEK, YR AGO	/2 31,470	35,327	34,107
AVG WEIGHT	3.76	4.80	6.10
% OF TOTAL /1	31%	35%	34%
TO DATE/2001	876,730	703,220	1,212,349
TO DATE/2000	895,527	867,920	1,114,117

- /1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING
- /2 COMPARABLE WEEK
- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 14-Jul-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD		
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	TOTAL	
HEAD	2,013	2,808	65	15	4,901	
AVG WT	16.51	33.83	23.77	25.88	26.56	
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS						
LAST WEEK	1,811	2,434	28	3	4,276	
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,223 (B)	2,925	36	15	5,199	
AVG WT	15.43 (B)	32.78	24.33	25.57	25.28	
TO-DATE/2001	55,737 (B)	74,545	1,084	324	131,690	
TO-DATE/2000	129,211 (B)		483	875	130,569	

(B) Comparable data not available for last year, this data is comprised of hens and toms.

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (404) 562-5850.